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TAGS: CENTO

SUBJECT: SUGGESTED REVISION OF CENTO SITUATION PAPER

REF: ANKARA 6954

SUMMARY: THERE FOLLOWS SUGGESTED CHANGES IN PAPER ON
QUOTE SITUATION IN CENTO AREA END QUOTE PREPARED BY CENTO
SECRETARIAT. PARAGRAPH NUMBERS AND LETTERS CORRESPOND TO
CENTO DRAFT.

3(A). OMIT WORDS: QUOTE AND ALSO PENETRATED THE BAY OF
BENGAL. END QUOTE

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(B). REPLACE WITH: QUOTE TO ACHIEVE THE ABILITY TO
INFLUENCE THE DISPOSAL OF ENERGY RESOURCES IN THE REGION
AND TO DISRUPT WESTERN AND JAPANESE ACCESS TO THEM IN TIMES

OF CRISIS. END QUOTE

(G). NEW PARAGRAPH. ADD: QUOTE TO ESTABLISH ITSELF AS
THE DOMINANT MAJOR POWER IN THE AREA. END QUOTE

4. OMIT WORDS AT END OF LAST SENTENCE QUOTE FOR INSTANCE
CYPRUS AND KASHMIR. END QUOTE

6. REPLACE WORDS QUOTE BY THE CREATION AND INTENSIFICATION
OF END QUOTE WITH WORDS QUOTE CALLING ATTENTION TO AND
STIRRING UP CONCERN ABOUT. END QUOTE AFTER QUOTE PRO-MOSCOW
ELEMENTS END QUOTE ADD QUOTE (TO THE EXTENT IT DOES NOT
ADVERSELY IMPACT ON GOOD STATE-TO-STATE RELATIONS, WHICH
REMAIN A PRIORITY OBJECTIVE). END QUOTE IN LAST SENTENCE
DELETE PHRASE QUOTE WHICH WOULD BE LED BY THE SOVIET
UNION. END QUOTE

7. DELETE THE PARAGRAPH. IT IS REDUNDANT. SEE PARA
III-4 AND III-8.

9. FOR QUOTE SQUADRONS END QUOTE SUBSTITUTE QUOTE NAVAL
FORCES. END QUOTE FOR QUOTE VIRTUALLY CONTINUOUS END QUOTE
SUBSTITUTE QUOTE SMALL BUT CONTINUOUS. END QUOTE

11. DELETE FIRST PART OF SECOND SENTENCE QUOTE IT SEEKS
TO ENCIRCLE TURKEY THROUGH ITS SOUTHERN NEIGHBORS AND...
END QUOTE COMMENT - WE BELIEVE SOVIETS ACTIVITIES IN
SYRIA AND IRAQ ARE REFLECTIONS OF MIDDLE EAST POLICY,
RATHER THAN INTEREST IN ENCIRCLING TURKEY.

14. DELETE PHRASE QUOTE INCLUDING THE CONSTRUCTION, IN
1971, OF A STEELWORKS. END QUOTE COMMENT - THERE HAS BEEN
NO REPEAT NO CONSTRUCTION YET UNDERTAKEN ON ANY STEELWORKS.
FEASIBILITY STUDIES ARE STILL IN PROGRESS.

15. REWRITE FINAL SENTENCE TO READ QUOTE THE CONCLUSION OF
THE TREATY STRENGTHENED INDIA'S POSITION IN THE 1971 CRISIS
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AND CONTRIBUTED TO INDIA'S DECISION TO FORCE A MILITARY
CONFLICT, RESULTING IN THE DIVISION OF PAKISTAN. END QUOTE
IN PREVIOUS SENTENCE SUBSTITUTE QUOTE DUBIOUS END QUOTE
FOR QUOTE ABSURD. END QUOTE

18. FOR QUOTE DOLS 232 MILLION END QUOTE SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE DOLS 317 MILLION (1954-1972). END QUOTE

21. DROP FIFTH SENTENCE BEGINNING QUOTE THE NUMBER OF AIR
FIELDS... END QUOTE CHANGE QUOTE 1968 END QUOTE TO
QUOTE 1958 END QUOTE IN SECOND SENTENCE. CHANGE QUOTE 400
SOVIETS END QUOTE TO QUOTE 500 SOVIETS END QUOTE IN SIXTH

SENTENCE.

22. CHANGE QUOTE AT THE END OF 1971 END QUOTE TO QUOTE
FROM 1958 TO 1972. END QUOTE

23. IN SECOND SENTENCE, SUBSTITUTE QUOTE HAVE THE
POTENTIAL END QUOTE FOR QUOTE ARE READY END QUOTE AND
QUOTE ENCOURAGE END QUOTE FOR QUOTE INSTIGATE END QUOTE.

24. DROP THE ADJECTIVE QUOTE CLEAR END QUOTE IN THE LAST
SENTENCE.

26. LAST CLAUSE OF FIRST SENTENCE SHOULD BE REVISED TO
READ QUOTE...WHICH SUPPORTS PDRY'S OBJECTIVE OF OVERTHROW-
ING EXISTING REGIMES IN THE ARABIAN PENINSULA. END QUOTE
NEXT TO LAST SENTENCE SHOULD BE REVISED TO READ QUOTE
SOVIET OFFICERS ADVISE UNITS OF THE PDRY ARMY.
SOVIET MATERIAL ASSISTANCE TO AND PRC TECHNICAL TRAINING
OF THE DHOFAR REBELS THREATEN THE REGIME IN OMAN. END QUOTE
DROP LAST SENTENCE.

28. TOTAL REVISION: QUOTE THE MAIN AIM OF THE SOVIET
UNION IN AFGHANISTAN IS TO ENSURE A FRIENDLY STATE AMENABLE
TO SOVIET INFLUENCE. THERE HAS LONG BEEN FRICTION BETWEEN
AFGHANISTAN AND PAKISTAN OVER THE FUTURE OF THE PUSHTUN
PEOPLE OF PAKISTAN. AFGHAN MAPS SHOW THE TERRITORY OF
PAKISTAN WEST OF THE INDUS RIVER AS FAR AS THE ARABIAN SEA
AS THE QUOTE OCCUPIED END QUOTE STATE OF PUSHTUNISTAN.
EARLIER STRIDENT AFGHAN DEMANDS FOR PUSHTUNISTAN HAVE
DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS BEEN LIMITED TO AFGHAN CLAIMS OF
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LEGITIMATE CONCERN FOR THE POLITICAL WELFARE OF FELLOW
PUSHTUNS. THE AFGHAN GOVERNMENT WAS ESSENTIALLY SATISFIED
WHEN THE PUSHTUN-LED NATIONAL AWAMI PARTY HELD OFFICE IN
THE NORTHWEST FRONTIER PROVINCE. PAKISTAN'S DECISION TO
JOIN CENTO APPARENTLY LED THE SOVIETS TO INTENSIFY THEIR
EFFORTS TO ADVANCE THEIR INFLUENCE IN AFGHANISTAN. SINCE
1955 THE SOVIET UNION HAS PROVIDED LARGE AMOUNTS OF ECONO-
MIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO AFGHANISTAN AND HAS GIVEN
GENERAL SUPPORT TO AFGHANISTAN'S CLAIM TO PUSHTUNISTAN.
SOVIET INFLUENCE IN AFGHANISTAN IN THE POLITICAL, ECONOMIC,
MILITARY AND CULTURAL FIELDS IS SIGNIFICANT. SMALL LEFT-
IST GROUPS, EITHER PRO-MOSCOW OR PRO-PEKING CONTINUE TO
ORGANIZE, ALTHOUGH POLITICAL PARTIES REMAIN ILLEGAL.
THERE HAS BEEN A GREAT DEAL OF SPECULATION, BUT AS YET
NO EVIDENCE THAT THE USSR SPONSORED THE COUP D'ETAT WHICH
RETURNED PRESIDENT DAUD TO POWER JULY 17, 1973, AFTER TEN
YEARS IN RETIREMENT. THE SOVIET UNION WAS THE FIRST TO
RECOGNIZE THE NEW DAUD REGIME, AND PROBABLY WELCOMES THE
CHANGE, BUT APPARENTLY DID NOT PLAY A ROLE IN THE COUP
ITSELF. END QUOTE

29. TOTAL REVISION: QUOTE AFGHANISTAN IS THE FOURTH LARGEST RECIPIENT OF SOVIET ECONOMIC AID, OVER DOLS 800 MILLION PROMISED THROUGH 1972, INCLUDING DOLS 100 MILLION

COMMITTED TO THE FOURTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN NOW GETTING UNDERWAY. LESS THAN TWO-THIRDS HAS BEEN EXPENDED SO FAR. SOVIET ECONOMIC AID HAS COVERED A WIDE VARIETY OF PROJECTS, CONCENTRATING ON INFRASTRUCTURE, PARTICULARLY ROADS, BUT WAS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DISCOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT OF NATURAL GAS FIELDS WHOSE OUTPUT, AFTER THE PRESENTLY SMALL LOCAL REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MET, GOES ENTIRELY TO THE SOVIET UNION, CONTRIBUTING GREATLY TO MAKING HER AFGHANISTAN'S BIGGEST TRADING PARTNER. END QUOTE

30. DROP FINAL SENTENCE.

31. REVISE FIRST SENTENCE TO READ QUOTE INDIA HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN WARS WITH PAKISTAN, A CENTO MEMBER, AND WITH CHINA. END QUOTE

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33. AMEND FIRST SENTENCE TO FINISH: QUOTE INDIA IS NOW RATED A SIGNIFICANT MILITARY POWER. END QUOTE NEXT SENTENCE SHOULD BEGIN: QUOTE SINCE THE END OF THE 1965 PAKISTAN-INDIA WAR, IT SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED. END QUOTE TENTH AND ELEVENTH LINES SHOULD BE CHANGED TO READ: QUOTE...CONSTRUCTION OF A NAVAL COMPLEX AT VISHAKHAPATNAM; SOME SOVIET NAVAL... END QUOTE FYI - WE HAVE NO REPEAT NO INFORMATION ON A BASE AT PORT BLAIR, NOR DO US SOURCES CONFIRM FIGURE QUOTE ONE THOUSAND SOVIET NAVAL TECHNICIANS. END QUOTE - END FYI. DROP ALL AFTER QUOTE AIR-TO-AIR MISSILES. END QUOTE FYI - SPACE ACTIVITY IS NON-MILITARY IN NATURE. US AND FRANCE ALSO COLLABORATE WITH INDIA IN THIS FIELD. END FYI.

34. CHANGE LAST PART OF FIRST SENTENCE TO READ QUOTE ...COULD CONCENTRATE MORE OF THEIR EFFECTIVE MILITARY FORCES ON THE BORDER WITH PAKISTAN IF THEY CHOSE TO DO SO. END QUOTE SECOND SENTENCE SHOULD END WITH QUOTE OVERWHELMING END QUOTE - DELETE REMAINDER.

35. REVISE SECOND SENTENCE TO INCLUDE QUOTE COULD PERHAPS PRODUCE A CRUDE DEVICE WITHIN LESS THAN A YEAR... END QUOTE REVISE THIRD SENTENCE TO READ: QUOTE INDIA HAS REFUSED, AS HAS PAKISTAN, TO SIGN THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY AND HAS RESISTED INTERNATIONAL SAFEGUARDS ON A NUCLEAR POWER REACTOR BEING CONSTRUCTED NEAR MADRAS. REMAINDER OF PARAGRAPH SHOULD RETAIN ONLY WORDS QUOTE PAKISTAN, ON THE OTHER HAND, IS DEPENDENT UPON IMPORTS FOR BOTH NEW

EQUIPMENT AND SPARE PARTS FOR OLD. END QUOTE EVERYTHING ELSE SHOULD BE DELETED. ADD: QUOTE SINCE THE 1971 WAR, INDIA AND PAKISTAN HAVE BEEN TRYING TO MOVE FROM CONFRONTATION TO RECONCILIATION. THEY SIGNED THE SIMLA AGREEMENT IN JULY 1972 AND IN AUGUST 1973 AGREED ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR

THE RELEASE OF POWS AND CIVILIAN DETAINEES. END QUOTE

37. AFTER FIRST SENTENCE, REVISE PARAGRAPH TO READ QUOTE IN ADDITION TO GRANTING TRADE CONCESSIONS, SHE OFFERED THE LEBANESE AUTHORITIES SOME LIMITED MILITARY ASSISTANCE. ARTILLERY VALUED AT DOLS 3 MILLION HAS BEEN DELIVERED. END QUOTE EVERYTHING ELSE SHOULD BE DELETED.

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39. REVISE LAST CLAUSE IN LAST SENTENCE TO READ QUOTE SUPPORTS SOME OF THEM... END QUOTE

40. ADD SENTENCE AT END OF PARA TO READ: QUOTE NEVERTHELESS PEKING HAS RECENTLY PLACED EMPHASIS ON IMPROVING ITS TIES WITH IRAN. END QUOTE

42. REVISE FOURTH LINE TO READ QUOTE AGREEMENT AND DOLS 45 MILLION IN ASSISTANCE (1971). END QUOTE

43. AT END ADD: QUOTE (DOLS 22 MILLION WORTH OF AID IN 1972). END QUOTE

45. (CONCLUSIONS - NOTE PREVIOUS PARA ALSO NUMBERED 45). SUB-PARA (B) DELETE PHRASE ON SECOND LINE - QUOTE CAN BE RULED OUT END QUOTE - AND ADD AT END OF SENTENCE QUOTE BUT UNDER FORESEEABLE CIRCUMSTANCES IS UNLIKELY. END QUOTE SUB-PARA (C) REVISE QUOTE THE MOST PROMISING AREA END QUOTE TO READ QUOTE A PROMISING AREA. END QUOTE ADD FOLLOWING AFTER LAST SENTENCE: QUOTE HOWEVER, SOVIET INTEREST IN DETENTE WITH THE US AND WESTERN EUROPE PLACES CERTAIN CONSTRAINTS ON THEIR ACTIONS IN THE CENTO REGION AND MIDDLE EAST. END QUOTE FIRST TWO SENTENCES OF SUB-PARA (D) SHOULD BE DELETED. IN SUB-PARA (E) AMEND TO READ QUOTE SOVIET UNION MAY WELL FOLLOW END QUOTE INSTEAD OF QUOTE WILL FOLLOW END QUOTE AND DELETE PHRASE QUOTE IF NOT DIRECT OPERATIONAL END QUOTE. END OF SUB-PARA (F) SHOULD BE AMENDED TO READ QUOTE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE INDO-PAKISTAN AND SINO-INDIAN DISPUTES. END QUOTE WE WOULD PROPOSE ADDING SUB-PARA (G) AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE SO LONG AS THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC VITALITY OF THE REGIONAL MEMBERS IS MAINTAINED, THEIR INTERNAL COHESION AND GROWTH WILL BE AN EFFECTIVE DETERRENT TO EXPANDED SOVIET INFLUENCE. END QUOTE RUSH

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